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SUBJ: MAJOR PROJECT: CHINA STEEL EXPANSION STEP 2

REF: STATE 174423

1. ACCORDING TO DICK LIGHTCAP, UEC PROJECT MANAGER FOR STEP ONE AT CHINA STEEL CORPORATION'S NEW KAOHSIUNG MILL, GENERAL MA AND PRESIDENT CHAO HAVE HAD PRELIMINARY DISCUSSIONS ON STEP 2 WITH SEVERAL JAPANESE STEEL COMPANIES AND WITH UEC. IN LIGHTCAP'S OPINION, DECISION PROBABLY WILL NOT BE MADE FOR A NUMBER OF MONTHS SINCE STEP ONE WILL NOT BE COMPLETED UNTIL 1977.

2. LIGHTCAP WILL COME FROM KAOHSIUNG TO TAIPEI TO MEET DAVID CARR WHEN HE ARRIVES FROM TOKYO MORNING OF JULY 27. ECON COUN WILL MEET WITH UEC EXECUTIVES LATER SAME DAY TO REVIEW STATUS OF PLANNING FOR STEP 2. APPOINTMENT WITH AMBASSADOR TENTATIVELY SET FOR 3:00 P.M. JULY 28.

3. EMBASSY IS ENDEAVORING MEET WITH MA AND/OR CHAO BEFORE CARR'S ARRIVAL. WHILE THEY MAINTAIN OFFICES IN TAIPEI THEY ARE SPENDING MOST OF THEIR TIME IN KAOHSIUNG.
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